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SUBJECT: SOVIET PROTEST ON MEETING OF SAARLAND CDU

FRAKTION IN BERLIN

REF: USBER 1784

1. THE SOVIET PROTEST ON THE MEETING OF THE SAARLAND CDU
FRAKTION IN BERLIN WAS DISCUSSED IN BONN GROUP ON
AUGUST 31.

2. FRG REP (HENZE) STATED THAT THE MEETING ON SEPTEMBER
1 AND 2, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION GIVEN THE CHANCELLERY
BY THE SAARLAND REPRESENTATION IN BONN, WOULD BE A
MEETING OF THE CDU FRAKTION AND NOT A CABINET MEETING.
AS THE SAARLAND HAS AN ALL-CDU GOVERNMENT, THE CABINET
MINISTERS WOULD BE TAKING PART IN THE MEETING, BUT
HENZE'S UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT THEY WOULD BE DOING SO AS
MEMBERS OF THE CDU FRAKTION AND NOT AS CABINET MEMBERS.
THE TWO TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION WERE THE NATIONAL STIFTUNG
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AND AIR TRAVEL TO BERLIN INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY

OF DIRECT SERVICE TO AND FROM SAARBRUECKEN.

3. AS REPORTED SEPTEL, SOVIET AMBASSADOR FALIN
MENTIONED THE SOVIET PROTEST ON THIS MATTER TO GENSCHER
ON AUGUST 26. IN ADDITION, FRENCH REP (LASSUS) SAID
THAT THE SOVIET MINISTER COUNSELOR IN PARIS HAD
MENTIONED BOTH REFTEL PROTESTS AT THE QUAI.

4. US REP NOTED THAT THE ALLIED MISSIONS IN BERLIN WERE
PREPARING A DRAFT REPLY. IT WAS AGREED TO WAIT FOR THE
BERLIN DRAFT.

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